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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE WISNIEWSKI

REF: MEMCON OF 11/6/73 LAZARUS-STRUS MEETING

PASS TO COMMERCE/BEWT: LAZARUS AND TO EXIM

1. WE HAVE LEARNED FROM CANDIAN EMBASSY THAT POLISH VICE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE WLODZIMIERZ WISNIEWSKI WILL HEAD POLISH DELEGATION FOR ANNUAL REVIEW OF CANDIAN-POLISH TRADE SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE DECEMBER 10-12 AT OTTAWA. CANADIANS HAVE SUGGESTED ADDITIONAL PROGRAM FOR WISNIEWSKI ON DECEMBER 13-14 BUT AS YET DO NOT KNOW FOR CERTAIN WHETHER HE WILL ACCEPT.

2. WISNIEWSKI, WHO SUCCEDED KARSKI IN JUNE AS VICE MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR TRADE WITH ALL DEVELOPED WESTERN COUNTRIES, FORMERLY WAS COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR IN LONDON AND ALSO HAD SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITY IN PAST IN MFT FOR U.S. TRADE RELATIONS. HE IS YOUNG, BRIGHT, AND SPEAKS ENGLISH FLUENTLY.

3. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS IT BE AUTHORIZED TO EXTEND INVITATION TO WISNIEWSKI TO MAKE BRIEF VISIT TO WASHINGTON AT CONCLUSION OF HIS CANADIAN VISIT. WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO ARRANGE MEETINGS AT COMMERCE AND STATE, AND
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PERHAPS ALSO AT EXIM BANK AND U.S CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

IN ADDITION, WE ARE QUITE CERTAIN THAT CONGRESSMAN DAN ROSTENKOWSKI, WHO BECAME ACQUAINTED WITH WISNIEWSKI WHILE IN POLAND LAST JUNE AS THE PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE TO THE POZNAN FAIR, WOULD BE INTERESTED IN MEETING WITH HIM. (CONGRESSMAN'S ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT JAMES HEALY WOULD BE BEST PERSON TO CONTACT REGARDING THIS).

4. EMBASSY HAS NOT DISCUSSED POSSIBILITY OF WISNIEWSKI VISIT TO WASHINGTON WITH POLISH SIDE. SINCE WE UNDERSTAND HE PLANS TO LEAVE WARSAW FOR CANADA ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, WE WILL NEED TO RECEIVE AUTHORIZATION TO DISCUSS WASHINGTON VISIT WITH HIM PRIOR TO COB DECEMBER 8.
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